

February 6, 2017

A regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Village of Arthur, Illinois, was held on Monday, February 6, 2017, in the Village Board Room. Village President Matt Bernius called the meeting to order at 7:00pm. Roll call was answered by Trustees Terry Clark, Jenni Marner, Paul Pearce, JD Kuhns, Dave Tiffan, and Andy Monts.

Pledge of Allegiance

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Approval of previous meeting minutes

The regular meeting minutes of January 16, 2017; the Water and Sewer Committee meeting of January 26, 2017; and the Street and Alley Committee meeting of January 27, 2017; were approved as presented.

Approve Expenditures

- T. Clark made a motion to approve expenditures in the amount of \$176,331.81. P. Pearce seconded. All Trustees voted YEA.

Village President Comments and Announcements

- President Bernius had no comments.

Trustees' Reports

- P. Pearce showed pictures of a downtown building and commented on the brick damage.

Police Chief's Report

- Police Chief Mike Goodman distributed the 2016 yearly reports and January monthly reports.

Public Works Supervisor's Report

- Supervisor Grant Corum distributed his activity report.

Village Attorney's Report

- Attorney Kenny Crossman contacted the last trailer owner on the North Walnut Street property; it should be gone by the end of February. All residents have moved out; however, some personal items are left in the big house. The owner of the trailer along the alley gave the title to the Village.

Visitors' Comments

Visitors present were Ty Ledbetter, Lamar Miller, and Rod Randall.

R. Randall stated the Village should try to spend money locally when possible.

Old Business

- None

New Business

- E. Carter stated the school board meeting is now on the third Wednesday of the month, which could affect the timing of their payment. The payment could be after the due date when late fees could be incurred. President Bernius will talk with District Superintendent Kenny Schwengel about a solution. No action was taken at this time.
- President Bernius presented a bid from Yoder's Lawn Care for mowing of the wells all summer for \$780. T. Clark made a motion to accept the bid from Yoder's Lawn Care for \$780 to do the mowing on wells 7, 8, and 9. J. Kuhns seconded. All Trustees voted YEA.
- President Bernius stated he asked Engineer Mike Sullivan to prepare the next three phases of Meadowview Subdivision for bid. It will be arranged so that it can be bid as one project or multiple. D. Tiffan made a motion to give Mike Sullivan the authority to put together a bid for Meadowview as one project at a time or a combination of projects. A. Monts seconded. All Trustees voted YEA.

- E. Carter reported on the costs of Clean Up Days from last year – \$1,950 per load; there were a few issues with the vendor. Advanced Disposal didn't do this type of pick up last year; their cost this year is \$1,550 per load. E. Carter will check with the Chamber about available dates without events. P. Pearce made a motion to accept the proposal from Advanced Disposal for Clean Up Days for \$1,550 per load and authorize E. Carter to pick an appropriate date in May. J. Kuhns seconded. All Trustees voted YEA.
- M. Goodman stated a fee schedule was implemented with the solicitor / peddler ordinance was originated a few years ago. The Police Department spends some time to vet these applicants. Last year, approximately 24 applications were received, and 6 – 7 were granted a license. He suggests a non-refundable fee that, if approved, goes toward the license fee. P. Pearce made a motion to accept changes to the peddler / solicitor license to include a \$25 non-refundable fee as presented. The Ordinance number will be 02-06a-17. A. Monts seconded. All Trustees voted YEA.
- E. Carter stated she and others have been brainstorming regarding how to reach more residents. She presented a one-page newsletter idea. She suggested a quarterly document that would cost approximately \$3,500 per year. After discussion, E. Carter will check with other communities about how they communicate with residents.
- E. Carter stated she attended a Tourism Committee meeting with WEIU about their Storyteller series. The funding expectation is at least \$20,000. There is a community meeting on February 21. There was discussion about funding, the exposure for the community, and other aspects. T. Clark made a motion to contribute \$2,000 toward the WEIU Arthur "This is Our Story" with the anticipation of increasing the contribution if necessary. D. Tiffan seconded. All Trustees voted YEA.
- D. Tiffan made a motion to enter Executive Session; J. Kuhns seconded. All Trustees voted YEA. This Executive Session was to discuss Police Personnel. (5ILCS 120/2)(c)(1) The appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of specific employees of the public body.
- President Bernius re-opened the meeting. Trustees present were T. Clark, J. Marner, P. Pearce, J. Kuhns, D. Tiffan, and A. Monts.
- P. Pearce made a motion to hire Jameson Dycus to work in the Public Works Department at a rate of \$14.42 per hour. J. Kuhns seconded. All Trustees voted YEA.

A Work Session will be scheduled for next Monday evening.

Adjourn

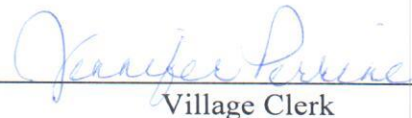
J. Kuhns made a motion to adjourn. A. Monts seconded. All Trustees voted YEA. President Bernius adjourned the meeting at 8:11pm.

APPROVED



Village President

ATTEST



Village Clerk

DATE

March 6, 2017